



Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge

Calendar of Events

April—May, 2017

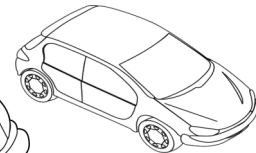
Unless otherwise stated, events begin at the visitor center.

*Events marked with an asterisk require reservations. Call 419-898-0014 to save your spot!



OTTAWA WILDLIFE DRIVE

April 15, 16
May 5-21, 27-29



Enjoy the refuge from the comfort of your car! The 7 mile route departs from the visitor center entrance road. Gates open at sunrise and entrance closes one hour prior to sunset. Please watch out for reptiles and amphibians crossing the road.

EAGLE TOUR

Witness our national icon on this back roads bus tour of Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge. Participants will see numerous bald eagle nests and have great photographic opportunities.

BLUE GOOSE BUS/VAN TOUR

Join us for behind the scenes access to closed areas of the refuge complex. Destinations vary depending on wildlife use and activity.

TWILIGHT BUS TOUR

Join us for an evening bus tour of the refuge for a chance to see wildlife active at dusk and into the night. Destinations vary depending on wildlife use and activity.

NAVARRE MARSH BUS/VAN TOUR

Conservation in the shadow of a 500 foot nuclear power station cooling tower! Explore this amazing 820 acre marsh; also the site where Black Swamp Bird Observatory conducts their banding research.

CEDAR POINT BUS/VAN TOUR

Enjoy spring migration while exploring Cedar Point National Wildlife Refuge!

HIKE THE DIKES

"Hike the Dikes" is a partnership program with Magee Marsh Wildlife Area and Black Swamp Bird Observatory. Participants that attend three hikes will be awarded a hiking stick!

MONTHLY BIRD SURVEYS

Join refuge volunteers and become a citizen scientist the first Sunday of each month at 8:00 am. Bring your binoculars and dress for the weather.
Meet at the trailhead parking area.

FISH TALES

Discover the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service and learn about the places and people that protect and manage the largest network of protected land and water on the planet!

Topics include:

1. Red River National Wildlife Refuge
2. Erie National Wildlife Refuge
3. Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument - Hawaiian Islands & Midway Atoll NWRs
4. History of Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge
5. Migration Research at Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge

TRAM TOURS

Enjoy the scenery and birds along the refuge hiking trails while riding on the refuge tram. These one hour tours depart from the Visitor Center. First come, first served.

NURTURE NATURE

Give back and help improve the refuge while restoring habitat and assisting on other projects. Dress for the weather.

ADOPT A BEACH

Human nature protecting mother nature! Join us in celebrating Earth Day as we remove litter from the beaches along beautiful Lake Erie.

NATURE TOTS

Children ages 3-5 are invited to bring their favorite adult for nature crafts, stories, and outdoor fun!

SWAMPERS

Children ages 6-12 are invited to hike with a refuge ranger and explore the refuge. Discover the wonder of nature and plan for a swampin' good time.

Visitor Center Open daily 9:00 am—4:00 pm

May 5 –14: Visitor Center Open 9:00 am—5:00 pm

<http://www.fws.gov/refuge/ottawa>

www.facebook.com/OttawaNWR



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Saturday, April 1
10:30-11:30am- Nature Tots*
1:00-2:30pm- Swampers*

Sunday, April 2
8am- Monthly Bird Survey
9am-12pm- Eagle Tour*
12:30-3:30pm- Eagle Tour*

Friday, April 7
12:30-3:30pm- Eagle Tour*

Saturday, April 8
9am- Hike the Dikes
9am-12pm- Eagle Tour*
10am- Nurture Nature
12:30-3:30pm- Eagle Tour*

Sunday, April 9
9am-12pm- Eagle Tour*
12:30-3:30pm- Eagle Tour*

Wednesday, April 12
9am-12pm- Eagle Tour*
12:30-3:30pm- Eagle Tour*

Friday, April 14
6-9pm- Twilight Bus Tour*

Saturday, April 15
6-9pm- Twilight Bus Tour*

Wednesday, April 19
9am-12pm- Eagle Tour*
12:30-3:30pm- Eagle Tour*

Friday, April 21
9am-12pm- Eagle Tour*
12:30-3:30pm- Eagle Tour*
6-9pm- Twilight Bus Tour*

Saturday, April 22
9:00-11:30am- Adopt A Beach*

Sunday, April 23
9am-12pm- Eagle Tour*
12:30-3:30pm- Eagle Tour*

Saturday, April 29
1-4pm- Blue Goose Bus Tour*

Thursday, May 4
1-4pm- Navarre Marsh Bus Tour*
1:30-4:30pm- Navarre Marsh Van Tour*

Friday, May 5
7-11am- Cedar Point Bus Tour*
8am-12pm- Cedar Point Van Tour*
1-4pm- Navarre Marsh Bus Tour*
1:30-4:30pm- Navarre Marsh Van Tour*
3pm- Fish Tales Topic # 2
7-10pm- Twilight Bus Tour*

Saturday, May 6
7-11am- Cedar Point Bus Tour*
8am-12pm- Cedar Point Van Tour*
1-4pm- Blue Goose Bus Tour*
1:30-4:30pm- Blue Goose Van Tour*
3pm- Fish Tales Topic # 5
7-10pm- Twilight Bus Tour*

Sunday, May 7
7-11am- Cedar Point Bus Tour*
8am-12pm- Cedar Point Van Tour*
8am- Monthly Bird Survey
1-4pm- Blue Goose Bus Tour*
1:30-4:30pm- Blue Goose Van Tour*
3pm- Fish Tales Topic # 5
7-10pm- Twilight Bus Tour*

Monday, May 8
7-11am- Cedar Point Bus Tour*
8am-12pm- Cedar Point Van Tour*
1-4pm- Navarre Marsh Bus Tour*
1:30-4:30pm- Navarre Marsh Van Tour*
3pm- Fish Tales Topic # 1
7-10pm- Twilight Bus Tour*

Tuesday, May 9
7-11am- Cedar Point Bus Tour*
8am-12pm- Cedar Point Van Tour*
1-4pm- Navarre Marsh Bus Tour*
1:30-4:30pm- Navarre Marsh Van Tour*
3pm- Fish Tales Topic # 3
7-10pm- Twilight Bus Tour*

Wednesday, May 10
7-11am- Cedar Point Bus Tour*
8am-12pm- Cedar Point Van Tour*
1-4pm- Navarre Marsh Bus Tour*
1:30-4:30pm- Navarre Marsh Van Tour*
3pm- Fish Tales Topic # 4
7-10pm- Twilight Bus Tour*

Thursday, May 11
7-11am- Cedar Point Bus Tour*
8am-12pm- Cedar Point Van Tour*
1-4pm- Navarre Marsh Bus Tour*
1:30-4:30pm- Navarre Marsh Van Tour*
3pm- Fish Tales Topic # 4
7-10pm- Twilight Bus Tour*

Friday, May 12
7-11am- Cedar Point Bus Tour*
8am-12pm- Cedar Point Van Tour*
1-4pm- Navarre Marsh Bus Tour*
1:30-4:30pm- Navarre Marsh Van Tour*
3pm- Fish Tales Topic # 1
7-10pm- Twilight Bus Tour*

Saturday, May 13
7-11am- Cedar Point Bus Tour*
8am-12pm- Cedar Point Van Tour*
9am- Hike the Dikes
1-4pm- Blue Goose Bus Tour*
1:30-4:30pm- Blue Goose Van Tour*
3pm- Fish Tales Topic # 3
7-10pm- Twilight Bus Tour*

Sunday, May 14
7-11am- Cedar Point Bus Tour*
8am-12pm- Cedar Point Van Tour*
1-4pm- Blue Goose Bus Tour*
1:30-4:30pm- Blue Goose Van Tour*
3pm- Fish Tales Topic # 2

Saturday, May 20
9am-12pm- Cedar Point Bus Tour*
1-4pm- Blue Goose Bus Tour*

Sunday, May 21
9am-12pm- Cedar Point Bus Tour*
1-4pm- Blue Goose Bus Tour*



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May 14 9:30 am 11:00 am 12:30 pm 2:00 pm 3:30 pm				May 4 9:30 am 11:00 am 12:30 pm 2:00 pm 3:30 pm	May 5 9:30 am 11:00 am 12:30 pm 2:00 pm 3:30 pm	May 6 9:30 am 11:00 am 12:30 pm 2:00 pm 3:30 pm
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